



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

January 4, 2021
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Permit No. QC 1430

**PERMIT FOR THE SHIPMENT OF LETTUCE PLANTS
FROM YUMA COUNTY, ARIZONA AND IMPERIAL COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
TO SAN BENITO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

Under authority of Section 3154 (Secretary May Issue Special Permits) of Title 3, California Code of Regulations (CCR), permission is hereby granted to:

Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc.
37437 State Hwy 16
Woodland, CA 95695

to bring into California lettuce plants from Yuma, Arizona that would otherwise be prohibited by CCR, Section 3261, Ozonium Root Rot State Exterior Quarantine, and to move lettuce plants from Imperial County into San Benito County that would otherwise be prohibited by CCR, Section 3401, Ozonium Root Rot State Interior Quarantine, under the following conditions:

1. Only lettuce plants that meet all requirements of this permit may be shipped into or moved within California.
2. Plants selected for shipment shall be apparently healthy and pest-free.
3. As much field soil as possible shall be removed from the plants prior to packaging.
4. Plants shall be packaged/enclosed in plastic bags or other appropriate material to completely contain any adhering soil.
5. Plants shall be shipped in sturdy containers.
6. Plants shall be planted in greenhouse located at:

Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc.
500 Lucy Brown Lane
San Juan Bautista, CA 95045

7. The permittee shall notify the San Benito County Agricultural Commissioner upon arrival of each shipment at 831.637.5344.
8. Containers shall be opened only in the destination greenhouse and all soil, plant debris, and packaging (which was in contact with plants or soil) shall be incinerated, sterilized, or double-bagged and disposed of in a landfill.



9. Plants shall be grown in containers in the greenhouse for seed production purposes. The plants shall be maintained on raised benches or maintained to prevent direct soil contact by use of a thick gravel layer, plastic and gravel layer, or other approved surface.
10. Permittee shall conduct an ongoing pest control program at both locations.
11. No movement or distribution of plants, other than as specified in this permit, shall occur without written authorization from this office.
12. After seed production and harvest, all plants and plant parts (except seed), potting soil, and containers shall be incinerated, sterilized or double-bagged and disposed of in a landfill. Containers may be treated with disinfectant. Plants and soil shall be sterilized by heat, steam heat, or autoclaving.
13. A copy of the permit must accompany each shipment of approved organisms, either inside or outside the package.

Violation of or inability to meet any of the conditions of this permit, or the detection of any live serious plant pest in a shipment authorized under this permit, shall be sufficient cause for the immediate revocation of the permit and destruction of the plant material, or return of the plant material to origin at the expense of the shipper.

Unless earlier revoked, this permit is valid through January 31, 2022.

Sincerely,

Dean Kelch

Dean Kelch, Ph.D.
Environmental Program Manager
Permits & Regulations
Plant Health and Pest Prevention Services

cc: Sharen Chaffin
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San Benito County
Yolo County

Packages Pictures.

